

Questions donors ask us

What is Thaqalayn Academy?

A full-time Shia Islamic school planned for Silicon Valley, opening in September 2027 with 20 students and growing to about 160 (planning model — not a forecast). Mornings are mastery academics with guides at 1:12; Qur'an and Islamic studies are taught in person before Dhuhr; afternoons are workshops.

Is my gift tax-deductible?

Not yet. Thaqalayn Academy is a California nonprofit in formation and has not yet applied for or received 501(c)(3) status. We plan to tell every donor when status is granted.

Are there naming opportunities?

Yes: the Courtyard of Light, the Qur'an House and the Scholarship Fund. Gift levels will be shared directly; please contact us.

How will you report back?

We plan to send donors regular updates on enrollment, scholarships awarded and the campus build.

What will my gift fund?

The Academy is raising \$6M in philanthropy: \$1.5M for campus fit-out, \$1.5M for operating support over the first five years, \$2.0M for a scholarship fund, and \$1.0M for curriculum, the scholar board and teacher recruitment and training.

Can I give khums or zakat?

Eligibility has not been determined and must be confirmed with the offices of the maraji'. We make no claim of eligibility.

Who decides what is taught?

All religious content is approved by a scholar board. Fiqh follows each family's marja'.

How do I express interest?

Use the Support Us form at thaqalayn.pages.dev/support. It asks only for your name, email, optional phone, city and a giving-interest range.

Academy use of funds: \$6M in philanthropy



Philanthropic goal for Thaqalayn Academy, years 1–5.

Share your giving interest

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The permanent campus. Concept rendering — not the final design.



Courtyard of light. Concept rendering — not the final design.



Qur'an house. Concept rendering — not the final design.